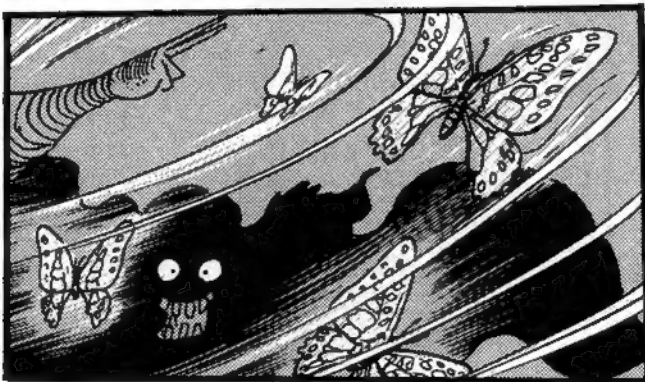


TENSHO YEAR 10 HONNO-TEMPLE

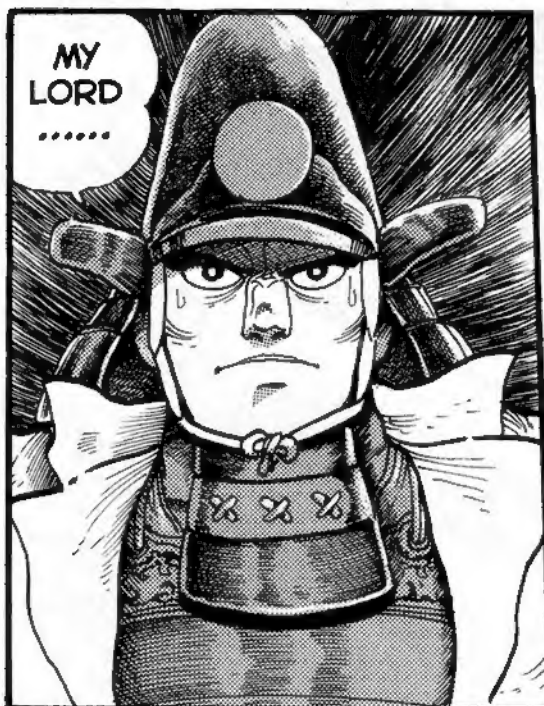




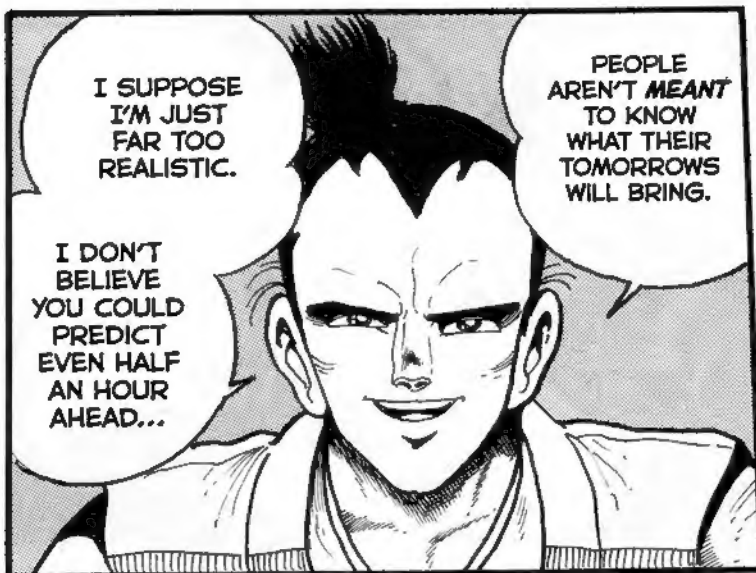








MITSUhide AKECHI
HAD MET KOJI KASHIN
IN WASHU, THREE
YEARS BEFORE THIS.
IT WAS DURING A
CONVERSATION WITH
JUNKEI TSUTSUI.



I SUPPOSE
I'M JUST
FAR TOO
REALISTIC.

I DON'T
BELIEVE
YOU COULD
PREDICT
EVEN HALF
AN HOUR
AHEAD...

PEOPLE
AREN'T MEANT
TO KNOW
WHAT THEIR
TOMORROWS
WILL BRING.



BECAUSE
I KNOW
MY OWN
DESTINY.

I'M
NOT GOING
TO DIE
USELESSLY
IN BATTLE.

OH?



HM?



LORD
MITSUhide,
TAKE A LOOK
AT THE MAN
OVER THERE.

HE WAS A
TRAVELING PRIEST,
WITH NO PERSONAL
CONNECTION TO THE
PEOPLE OF IGA.
HE WAS ONLY
TRYING TO SAVE
LIVES.....

WHO
SURVIVED
OUR
RECENT
ASSAULT
ON IGA.

THAT MAN
IS A
PRIEST--



WHA
--?

THE
FELLOW IS A
PRACTITIONER
OF STRANGE
TECHNIQUES.



NOBUNAGA
TOLD HIS ARMIES
"THE PEASANTS OF
THAT COUNTRY
ARE LAME BEASTS
OF BURDEN
WHO CANNOT BE
ALLOWED TO LIVE,"
AND GAVE ORDERS
TO UNLEASH THE
ASSAULT ON IGA!!

NOBUNAGA ODA'S
ASSAULT ON
IGA STRETCHED
FROM EIROKU 12
UNTIL TENSHO 9,
LASTING A FULL
TEN YEARS.





YOU... WILL BE
RUN THROUGH BY
BAMBOO SPEARS,
HALF AN HOUR
FROM NOW.

GHE
GHE...

YOUR
LEFT ARM
WILL....

YOU WILL
FALL INTO
A VALLEY
AND LOSE
A FOOT.



I...
CAN SEE
PEOPLE'S
FATES.

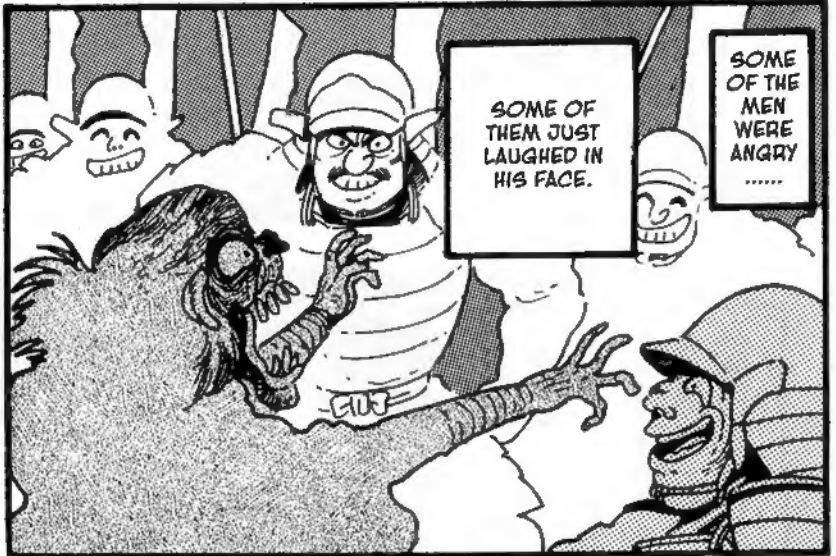


HSSSSS



BUT NO
MATTER WHAT
YOU DO, THE
ONES I SPOKE
OF CAN'T
DELAY WHAT
I SAW.

YOU
CAN
KILL
ME.



SOME OF
THEM JUST
LAUGHED IN
HIS FACE.

SOME
OF THE
MEN
WERE
ANGRY
.....



AWHH



RHH
...





IT WOULD BE NO SURPRISE IF I DIED AT ANY POINT.

I ALWAYS BEAR THE BRUNT OF THINGS.



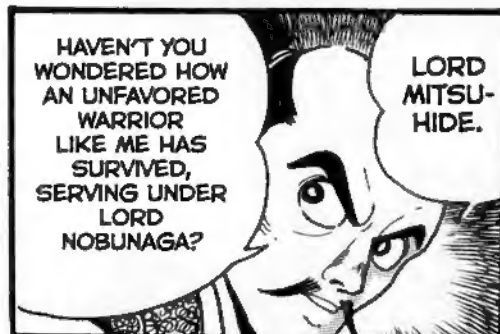
NOT TO MENTION, HE HATES INDECISIVE MEN LIKE ME.

LORD NOBUNAGA IS ROUGH ON THE PEOPLE HE UTILIZES.



THOSE WERE MERELY COINCIDENCES.

IMPOSSIBLE!



HAVEN'T YOU WONDERED HOW AN UNFAVORED WARRIOR LIKE ME HAS SURVIVED, SERVING UNDER LORD NOBUNAGA?

LORD MITSU-HIDE.



FWASH!



I'M NOT AFRAID OF ANYTHING I HAVE TO DO.

BUT EVER SINCE I MET THAT MAN—



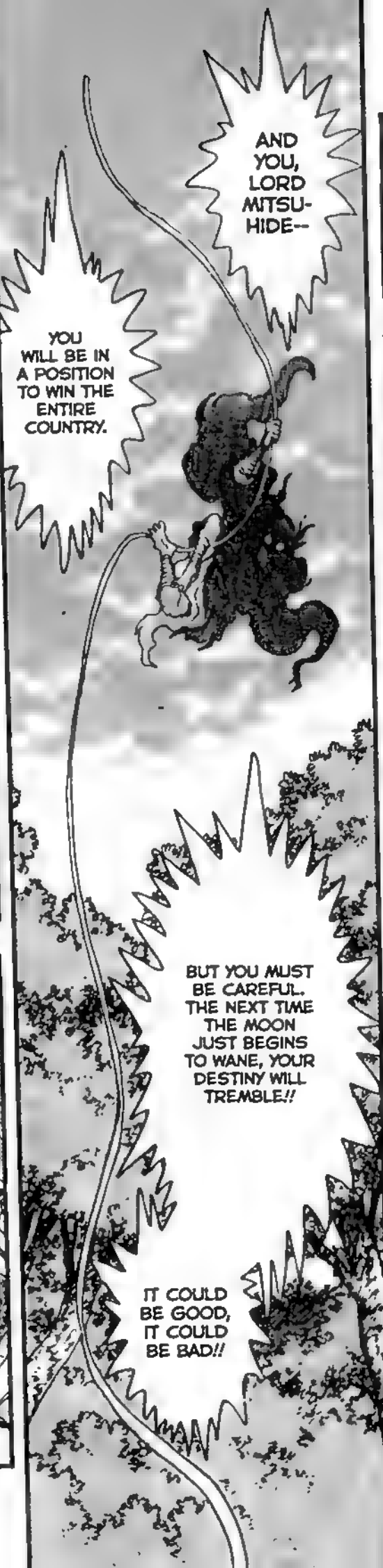
THE WINDS ARE BLOWING IN OUR FAVOR.

ENEMY DEFENSES THERE ARE SHORT-HANDED...

I'M TO HEAD NORTH, AFTER THIS.



THIS IS NO PROPHECY.
IT'S YOUR DESTINY!!



YOU WILL BE IN
A POSITION
TO WIN THE
ENTIRE
COUNTRY.

AND
YOU,
LORD
MITSU-
HIDE--



BUT YOU MUST
BE CAREFUL.
THE NEXT TIME
THE MOON
JUST BEGINS
TO WANE, YOUR
DESTINY WILL
TREMBLE!!

IT COULD
BE GOOD,
IT COULD
BE BAD!!

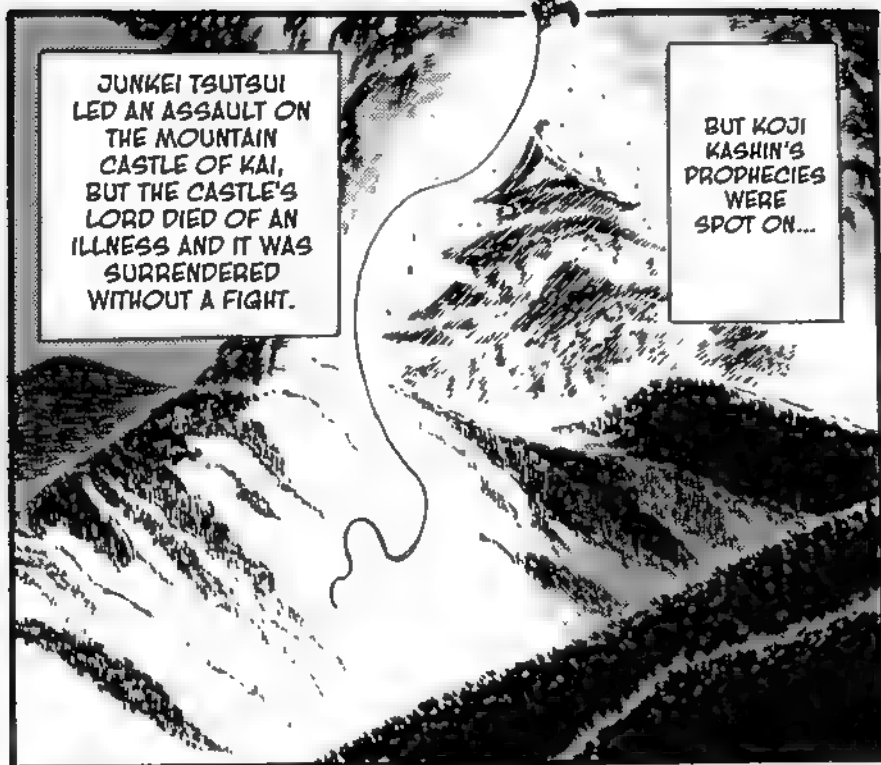


KASHIN,
WHERE
ARE YOU
GOING
!!?



LORD
JUNKEI.

YOUR
SOLDIERS
CAN GO INTO
THIS BATTLE
WITHOUT FEAR.
YOUR ENEMY
IS GOING
TO FALL.

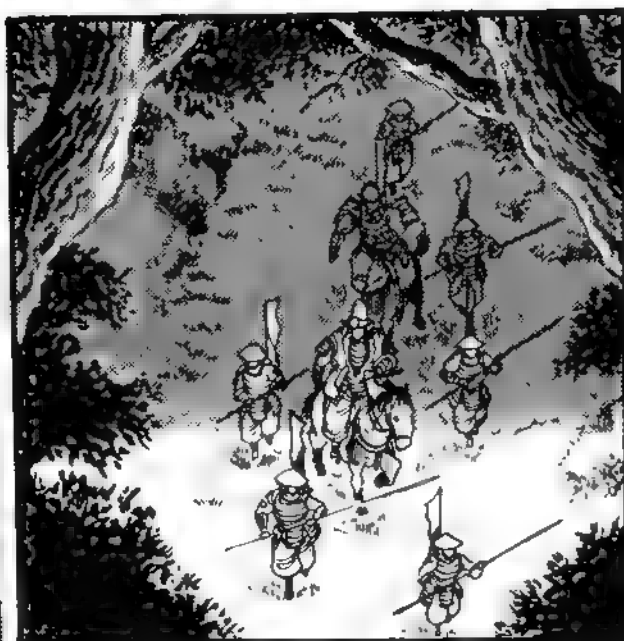


JUNKEI TSUTSUI
LED AN ASSAULT ON
THE MOUNTAIN
CASTLE OF KAI,
BUT THE CASTLE'S
LORD DIED OF AN
ILLNESS AND IT WAS
SURRENDERED
WITHOUT A FIGHT.

BUT KOJI
KASHIN'S
PROPHECIES
WERE
SPOT ON...

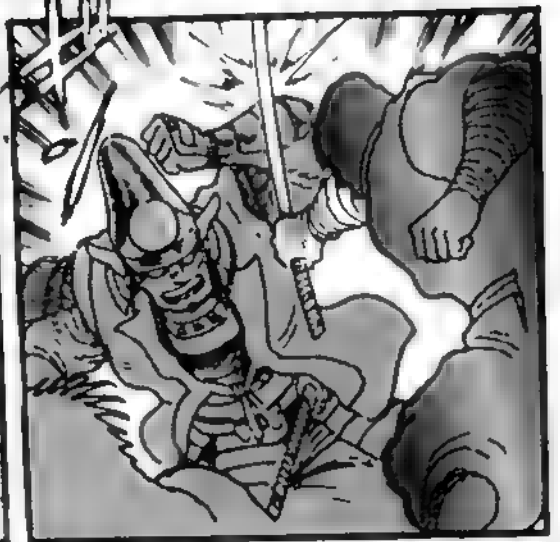


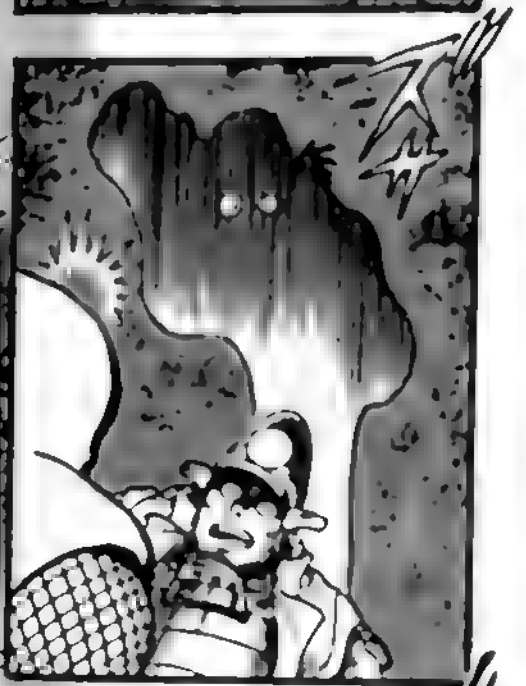
THIS MUST
BE AN
ILLUSION!



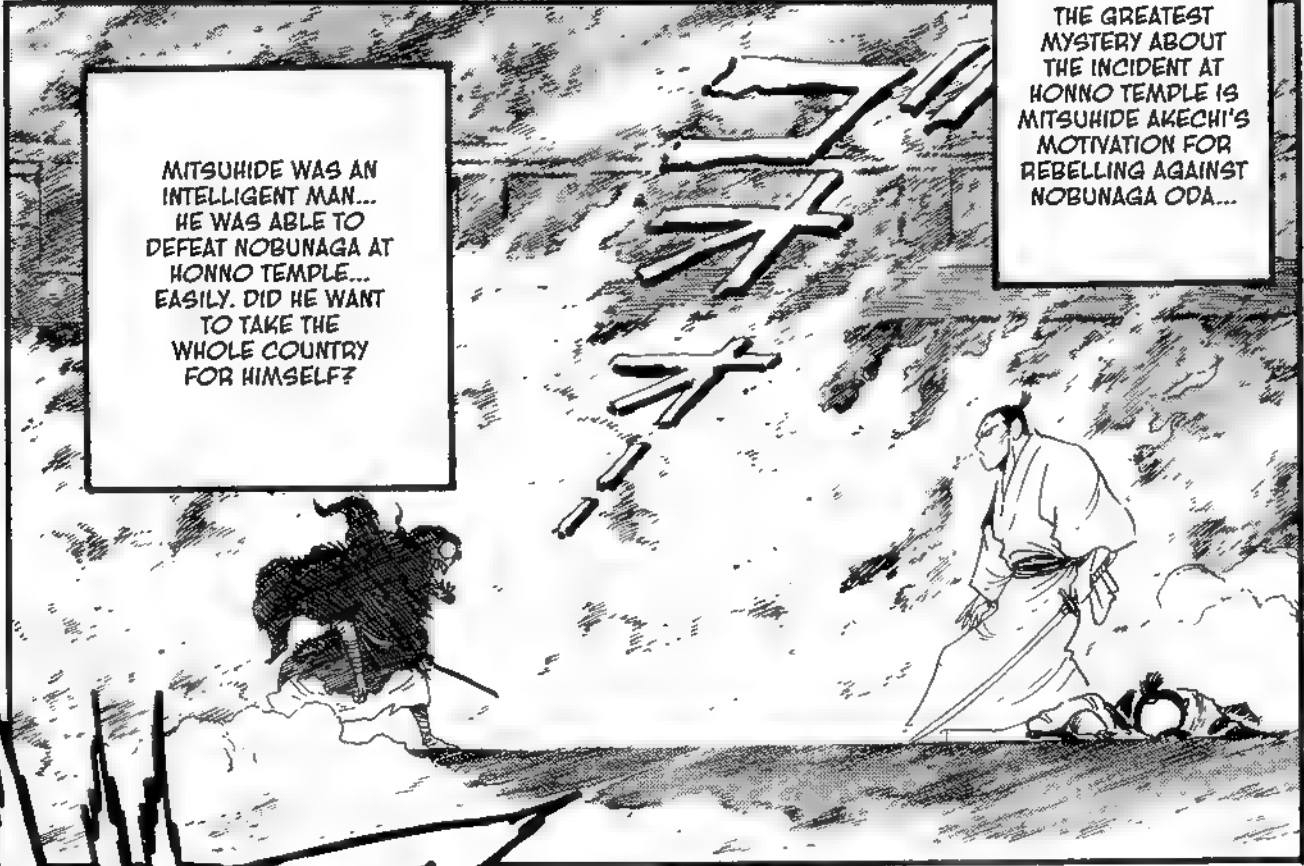
THE NEXT
TIME THE
MOON
BEGINS
TO WANE
.....











MITSUHIDE WAS AN INTELLIGENT MAN...
HE WAS ABLE TO DEFEAT NOBUNAGA AT HONNO TEMPLE...
EASILY. DID HE WANT TO TAKE THE WHOLE COUNTRY FOR HIMSELF?

THE GREATEST MYSTERY ABOUT THE INCIDENT AT HONNO TEMPLE IS MITSUHIDE AKECHI'S MOTIVATION FOR REBELLING AGAINST NOBUNAGA ODA...



OR MAYBE IT'S A PLOT BY THOSE MERCHANTS IN SAKAI!!

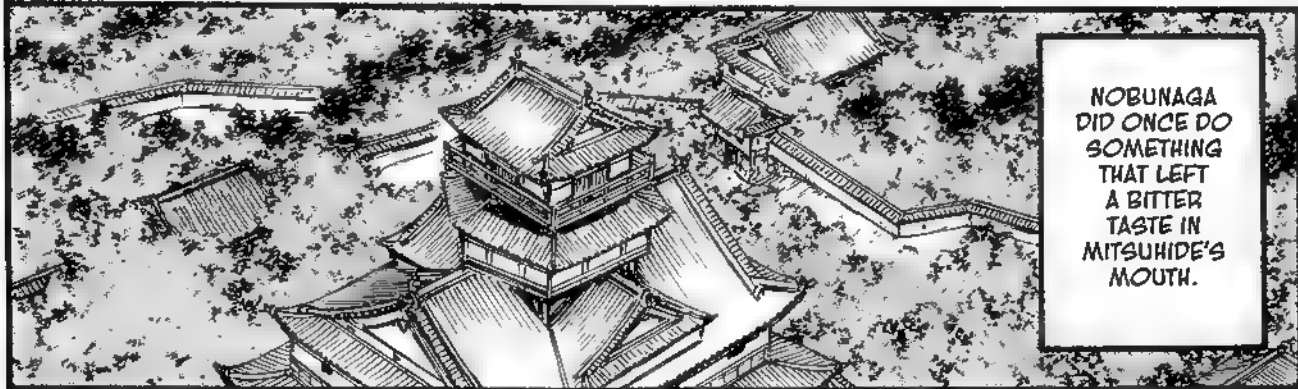


IS THIS REVENGE, THEN?/?

KOJI KASHIN, YOU'RE A SURVIVOR FROM THE NINJAS OF IGA.



HWEHH ...



NOBUNAGA DID ONCE DO SOMETHING THAT LEFT A BITTER TASTE IN MITSUHIDE'S MOUTH.



YOU
IMBECILE!!

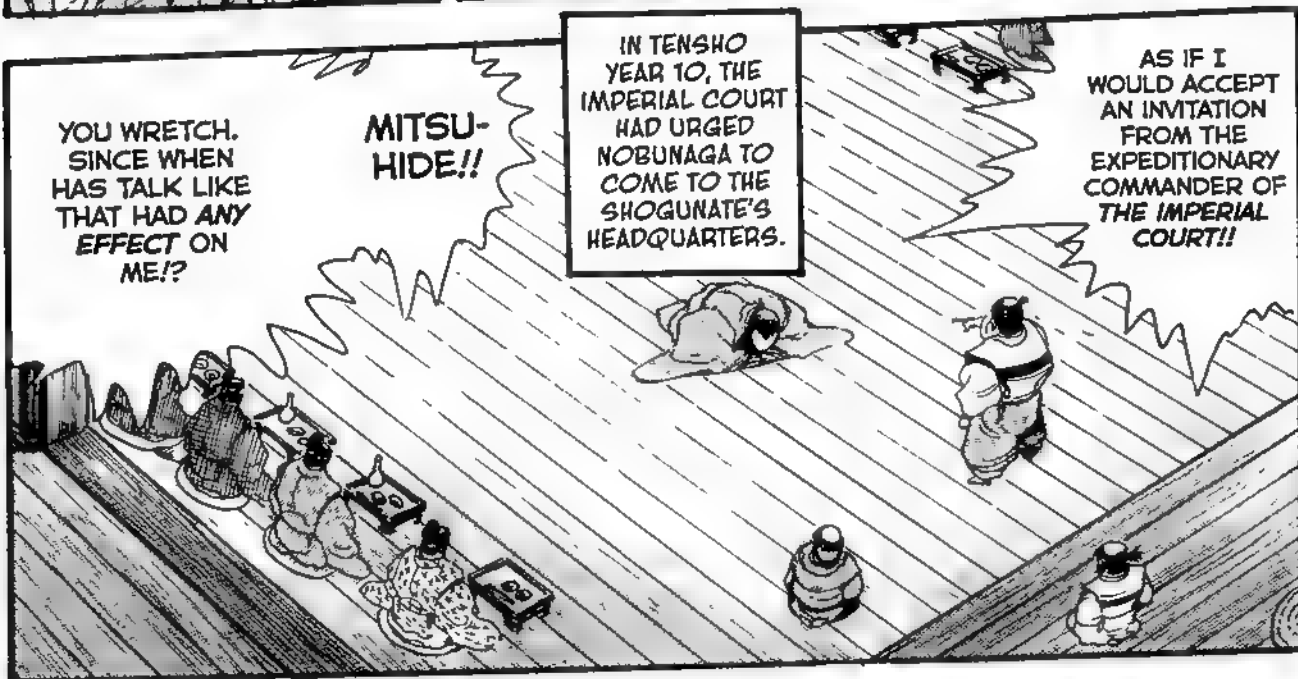


YOU WRETCH.
SINCE WHEN
HAS TALK LIKE
THAT HAD ANY
EFFECT ON
ME!?

MITSU-
HIDE!!

IN TENSHO
YEAR 10, THE
IMPERIAL COURT
HAD URGED
NOBUNAGA TO
COME TO THE
SHOGUNATE'S
HEADQUARTERS.

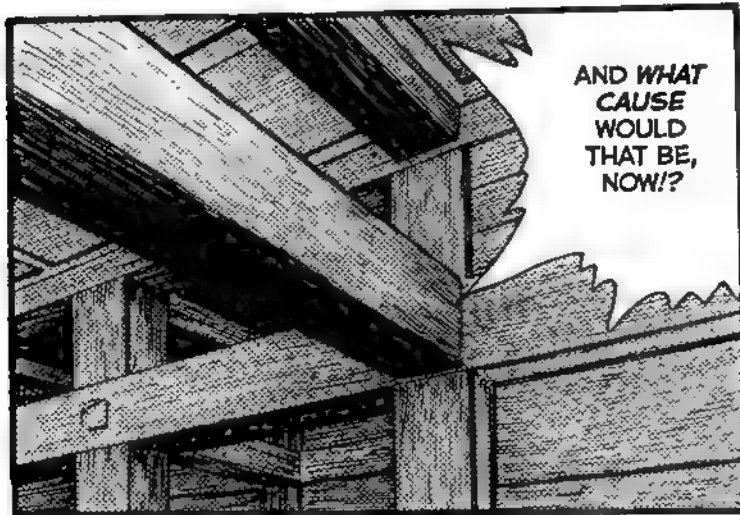
AS IF I
WOULD ACCEPT
AN INVITATION
FROM THE
EXPEDITIONARY
COMMANDER OF
THE IMPERIAL
COURT!!



AND WHAT
CAUSE
WOULD
THAT BE,
NOW!?

THE ODA ARMY
WILL BE
WITHOUT A
CAUSE IN THE
BATTLES TO
COME.

WITH ALL DUE
RESPECT, IF
WE MAKE AN
ENEMY OF
THE IMPERIAL
COURT—





THE
IMPERIAL
COURT
CAN EAT
SHIT!!

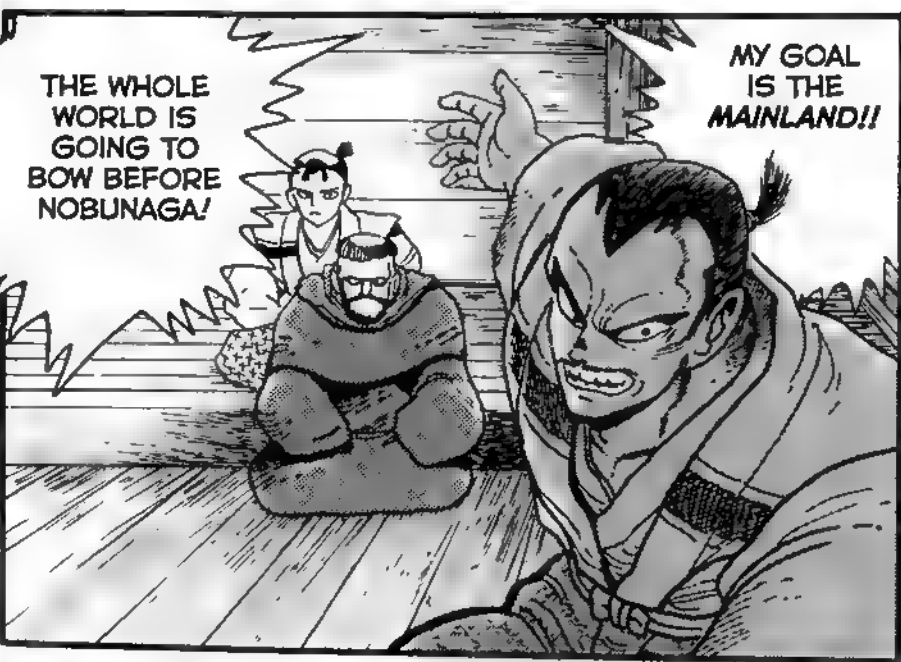
A SMALL
ISLAND
NATION
LIKE THIS
MEANS
NOTHING
TO ME!



MITSU-
HIDE.
LOOK ME
IN THE EYE.



I TOOK
IN THESE
FOREIGNER
PRIESTS, ALL
FOR WHEN
THAT DAY
COMES!!



THE WHOLE
WORLD IS
GOING TO
BOW BEFORE
NOBUNAGA!

MY GOAL
IS THE
MAINLAND!!



IT CAN ONLY
CAUSE
PROBLEMS
FOR THE
ODA FAMILY.

BUT, IF WE
BETRAY THE
MIKADO
THIS WAY--



I'M SURE
I WILL HAVE
NEED
OF YOUR
STRENGTH.

MITSU-
HIDE,
WHEN
THE DAY
COMES
...

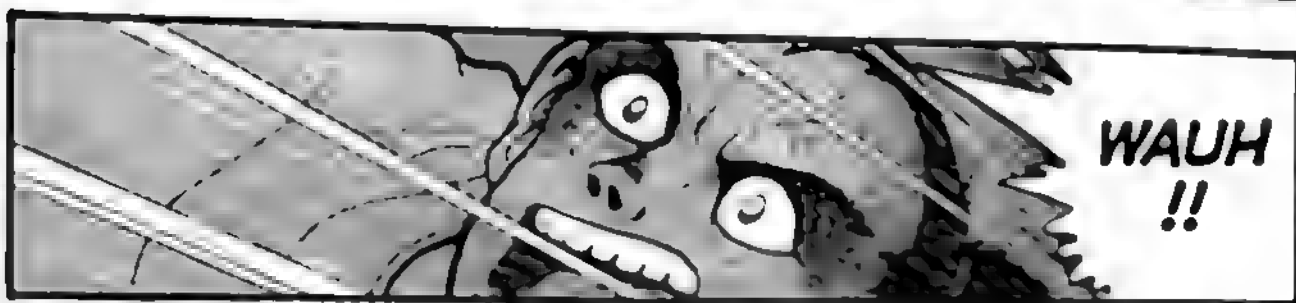


WELL,
DID HE
WARN YOU
ABOUT
THIS,
TOO!?

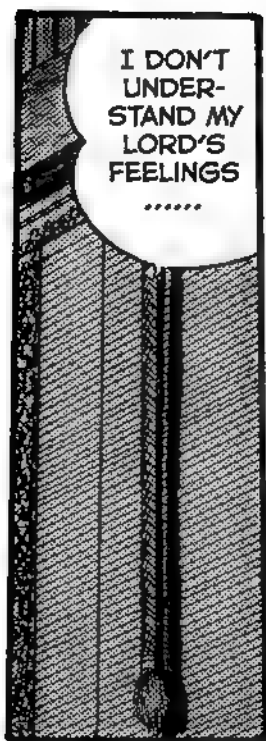


MITSUHIDE.
YOU'VE BEEN USING
THAT MAGICIAN,
KOJI KASHIN,
HAVEN'T YOU?









I DON'T UNDER-
STAND MY
LORD'S
FEELINGS



DON'T
BE SO
TIMID!

THERE MAY
BE NOTHING
LEFT I CAN
DO...



AND SOME
THINGS
YOU CAN
NEVER
LEAVE
BEHIND.

SOME
THINGS
YOU
CAN GET
AWAY FROM--



THERE IS
NO SUCH
THING.



IF WE
KEEP RUSHING,
WE'LL RUSH
RIGHT PAST
OUR LIMITS.....

HO
GHE

THE THINGS
MY LORD
PLANS HAVE
US MOVING
BACK AND
FORTH.

HE
KEEPS
GIVING
ME
MORE
TO DO.



Meow



WHAT
BECOMES
OF ME!/?

KASHIN, YOU
SAY YOU
CAN SEE
A PERSON'S
FATE.



THE WAY THIS
IS GOING,
I'LL END UP
WIPING
MYSELF OUT.

ANYONE WHO
DOESN'T HAVE
THAT ATTITUDE
WILL NEVER BE
ABLE TO WIN.

THE
COUNTRY IS
A THING
THAT MUST
BE TAKEN.

CAN I
REALLY
WIN!?

YOU SAID
I COULD
WIN THE
ENTIRE
COUNTRY.

RH...

YOU WILL
WIN THE
ENTIRE
COUNTRY.

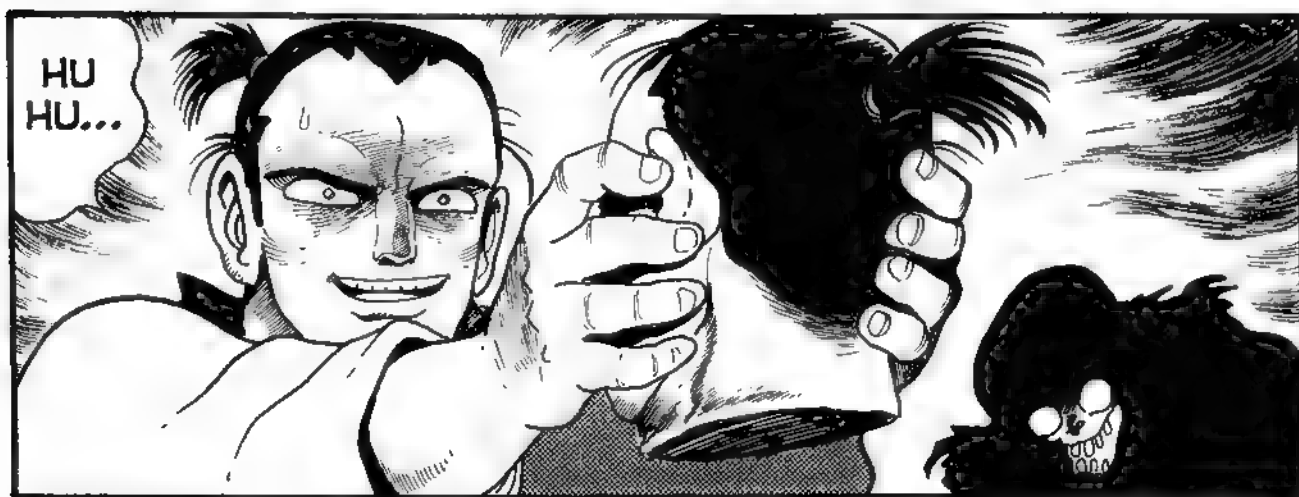
YOU
WILL DO
IT, LORD
MITSU-
HIDE.

ONCE
EVERY-
THING
IS IN
MOTION,
THAT WILL
BE THE
BEGIN-
NING.

FATE IS LIKE
A FLOWING
RIVER. IT
ONLY FLOWS
ONE WAY.

YOU MUST
HAVE THE
COURAGE...







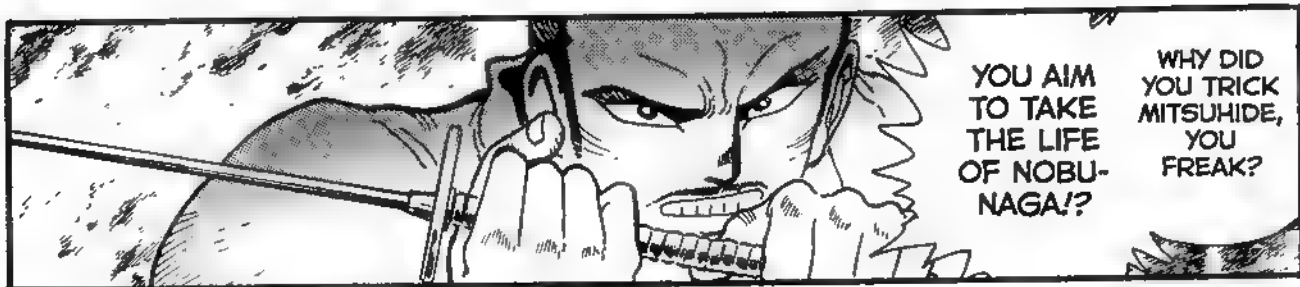


KHE
KHE
KHE
...

KOJI KASHIN,
I'LL ASK
YOU ONE
MORE
TIME...



BH
HHE
...



YOU AIM
TO TAKE
THE LIFE
OF NOBU-
NAGA!?

WHY DID
YOU TRICK
MITSUhide,
YOU
FREAK?



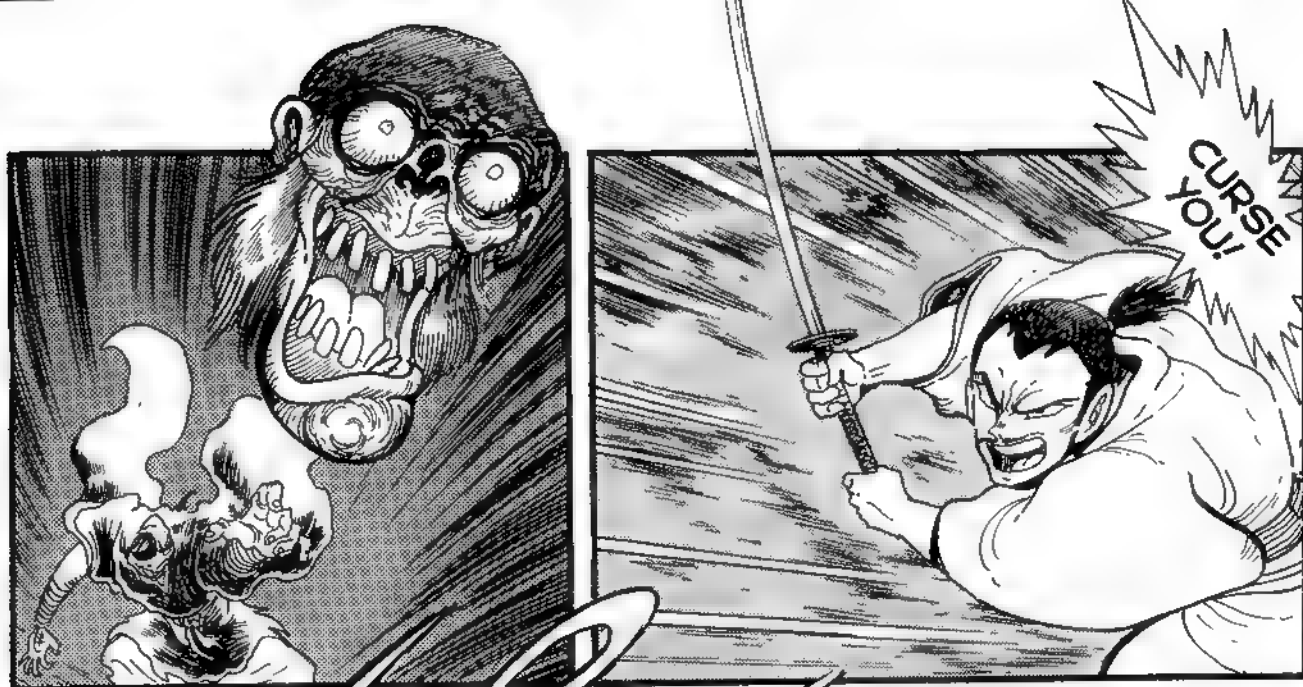
THERE ARE THOSE
WHO FIND YOU
DISAGREEABLE,
LORD NOBUNAGA,
AND NOT JUST
WITHIN YOUR
ISLAND NATION.

IT WILL
FOREVER BE
ONE OF
HISTORY'S
GREATEST
QUESTIONS.



BUT
IT'S LORD
MITSUhide...
AND HIS
REBELLION,
THAT WILL
KILL YOU.

SURELY
SOME OF
THEM
WISH TO
TAKE YOUR
LIFE.





IN JUNE
OF
TENNAO
YEAR 10,
MITSURU
CRA...
MET HIS
DEFEAT...



AFTER THAT,
JUST AS
MORI KASAH
HAD PREDICTED,
MITSURU
AKESHI WON
THE COUNTRY!

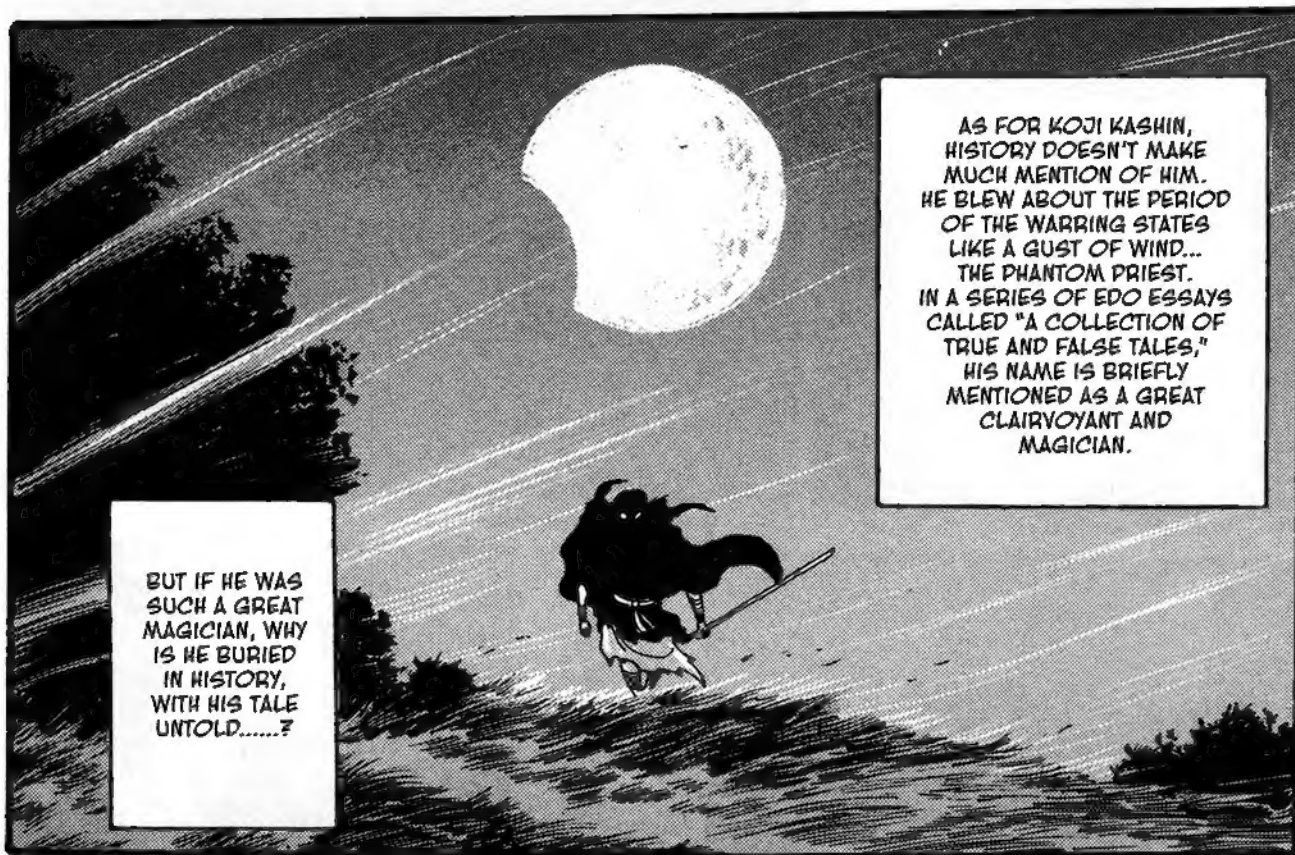


AS HE WAS
RETRACTING,
MITSURU WAS
TAKEN DOWN BY
A NAMELESS
PEASANT WITH
A SAKABOO
SPEAR.



IT FELL
TO THE ARMY
OF HIDEYOSHI
HASHIBA, WHO
BROKE OFF
HIS ASSAULT
ON MORI TO
RETURN...

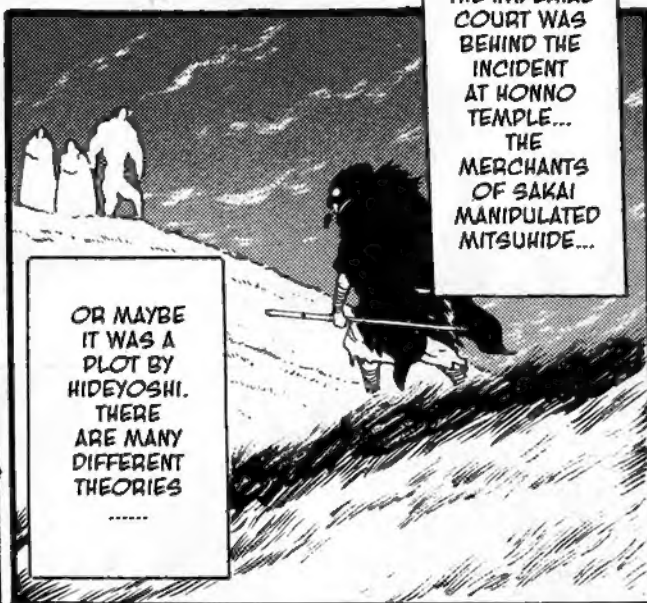
HOWEVER,
THAT
COUNTRY
WOULDN'T
LAST
LONG...



BUT COULD
THERE HAVE
BEEN
SOMEONE
ELSE WHO
TRULY
FEARED
NOBUNAGA?



OR MAYBE
IT WAS A
PLOT BY
HIDEYOSHI.
THERE
ARE MANY
DIFFERENT
THEORIES
.....



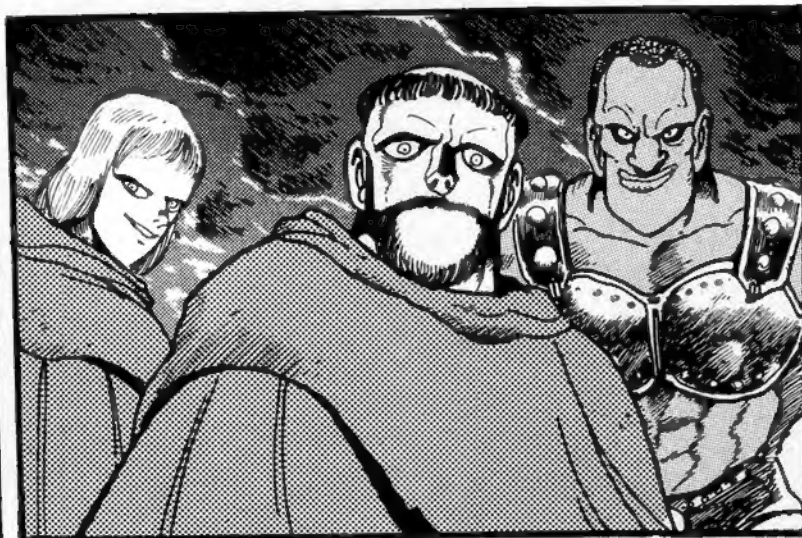
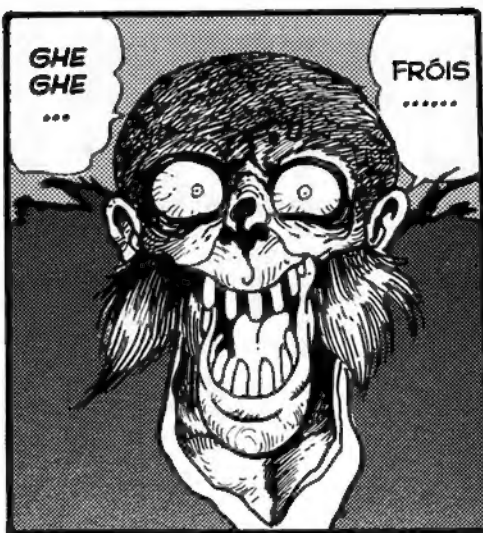
THE IMPERIAL
COURT WAS
BEHIND THE
INCIDENT
AT HONNO
TEMPLE...
THE
MERCHANTS
OF SAKAI
MANIPULATED
MITSUhide...

BUT IF HE
WAS AN
ASSASSIN,
THEN
UNDER
WHOSE
ORDERS?!

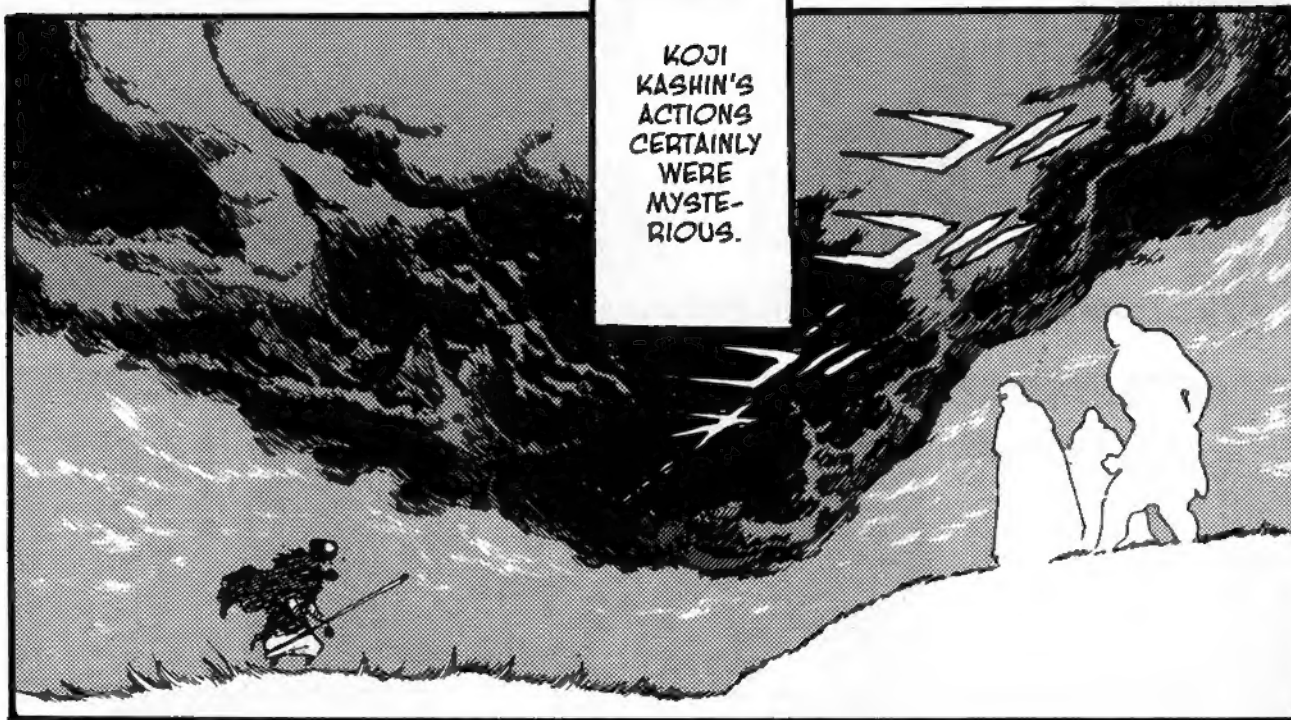


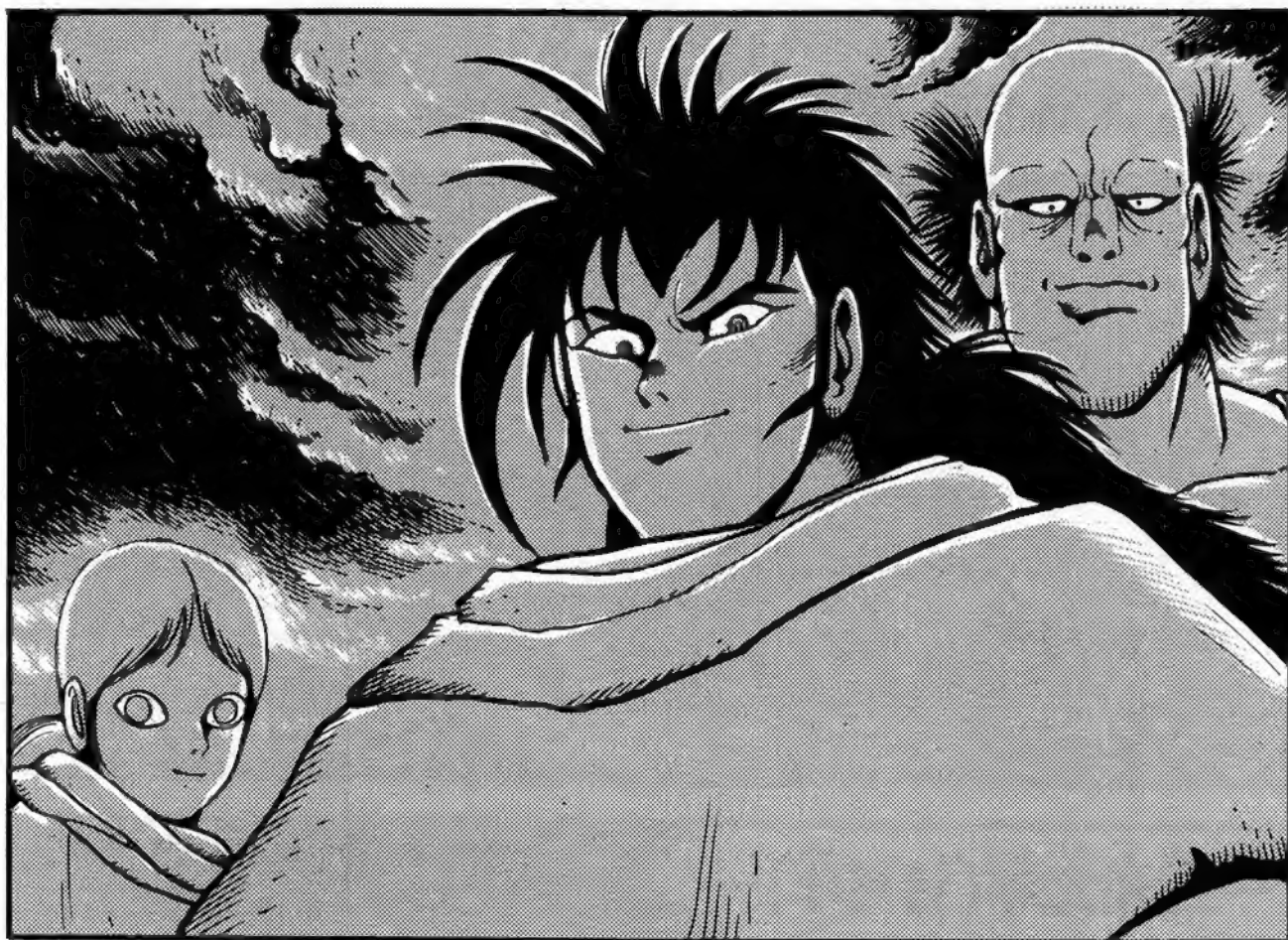
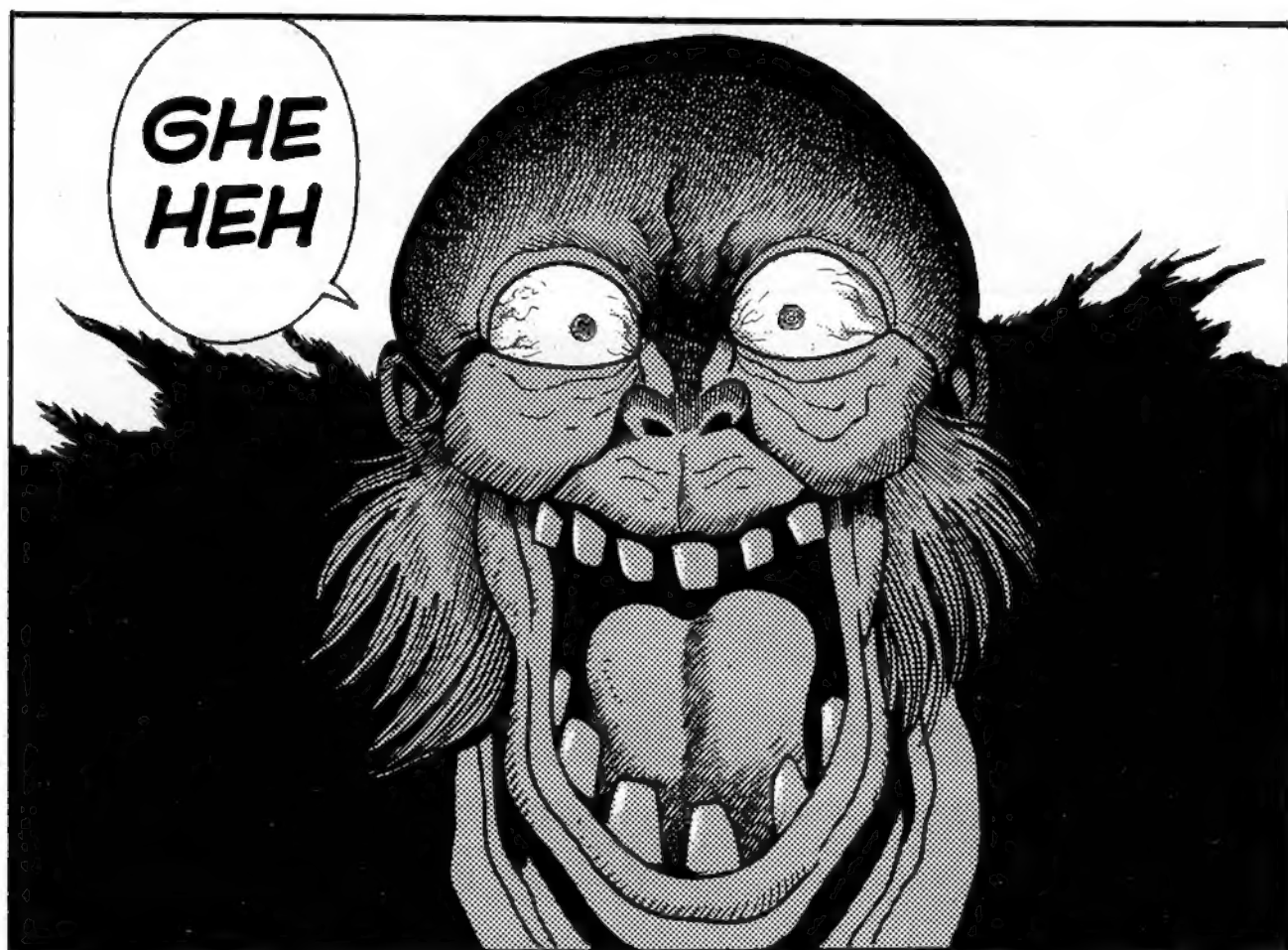
GHE
GHE
...

FRÔIS
.....



KOJI
KASHIN'S
ACTIONS
CERTAINLY
WERE
MYSTE-
RIOUS.





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